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[Plattsburgh, New York]—United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announces a federal indictment charging MARVIN SCOTT BENTON with possession of child pornography.

The indictment, filed June 2, 2010, charges MARVIN SCOTT BENTON with receipt of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252 A(a)(2) (Count 1) and possession of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(5)(B) (Count 2).

MARVIN SCOTT BENTON, 40, of Morrisville, New York, was arrested on May 18, 2010 in Morrisville, New York. On May 20, 2010, Magistrate Judge Larry A. Kudrle ordered that the defendant be released on conditions to include home detention and electronic monitoring.

The charges in the indictment carry the following potential penalties:

<u>Charge</u>		Potential Penalties
Count 1	receive or attempt to receive child pornography	a minimum term of imprisonment for at least 5 years up to 20 years
Count 2	possess or attempt to possess child pornography	a term of imprisonment for up to 20 years

The indictment is the result of an investigation by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the New York State Police. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel C. Gardner.

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